

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU
Sept. 3, 1917. Last twenty-
four hours: rainfall, .03.
Temperature, Min 74; Max.
83. Weather, clear.

Hawaiian Gazette

LATEST CABLED SUGAR QUOTATIONS	
Cents	Dollars
96° Centrifugal No. 7, per lb. per ton	
Price, Hawaiian basis, 7.22	\$140.40
Last previous quote	
Mon. 7.10	\$139.50

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AUSTRIAN LOSS THIRD OF ARMY AND APPEAL IS SENT TO BERLIN

Destruction Wrought By Advan-
cing Italians Amounts To More
Than One Hundred and Twen-
ty-eight Thousand Men and
Spells Disaster

COMMANDING GENERAL BLAMED AND REMOVED

Calls On Germany For Assistance
Bring All Reinforcements That
Can Be Spared By Kaiser
From the Fronts Where His
Men Fight

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

NEW YORK, September 4.—Fully one-third of the Aus-
trian army that sought to block
the path of the Italians to Trieste
has been lost. Desperate efforts
are being made by the Huns to
stem the tide of defeat and in an-
swer to the calls of distress that
were sent to Berlin Germany is
rushing all of the forces she can
spare from her own harassed
west front to the aid of her Allies.
General Borovic has been removed
and is succeeded by General
Koevass.

LOSSES ARE IMMENSE

Advices from the Italian em-
bassy received last night say that
the Austrian losses in defending
the roads to Trieste have been
more than three thousand officers
and more than one hundred and
twenty-five thousand men. It is
estimated that this immense loss
constitutes at least a third of all
the Austrian forces that have been
employed on that front.

General Borovic was blamed
for the disaster that has overtaken
the Austrian defense and he was
succeeded by General Koevass.

Messages were sent to Germany
telling of the serious plight in
which the Austrians find them-
selves and these have brought
such relief as Germany is able to
afford without too greatly weak-
ening her own forces on other
fronts.

The report of Austrian losses came
from Udine.

General Cadorna continued to carry
the fight into the enemy territory, de-
spite desperate counter attacks by the
Austrians.

Italian troops advanced surely
though slowly in the Brezovizza Val-
ley. South of Gorizia several violent
counterattacks have been repulsed, and
the new positions held by Cadorna's men
have been consolidated and are firmly
held.

Weather Is Handicap

Udine reports that though vile
weather prevails on the front, fighting
still continues. The battle has re-
solved itself into hand-to-hand com-
bats with small detachments of Aus-
trians who have been caught in shell
holes and galleries, isolated by Italian
fire and unable to retreat.

The Italians are gradually straight-
ening out their new line, and the Aus-
trian defenders, wholly unable to ad-
vance or retreat, are surrendering
wholesale.

Many counter attacks have been
bloody repulsed by Cadorna's men,
and many prisoners are passing to
the rear to intern camps. These seem
mostly fresh troops brought up in an
effort to turn the tide of battle, and
are well equipped.

The attacking armies have not lost
a single yard of ground taken in the
last great offensive, and the morale of
the Austrians in face of the terrific
hammering is decidedly weaker.

POSITION OF ENGLISH SOCIALIST IS CHANGED

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

BLACKPOOL, England, September 3.—
At the meeting of the national labor
conference today, Former Cabinet Min-
ister Arthur Henderson, labor leader,
in addressing the delegate, opposed
sending a deputation of labor unionists
to the Stockholm convention.

SAVS IN RETREAT BURN AND DESTROY ALL IN THEIR WAKE

Fate of Abandoned Riga Is Yet
Unknown But Retreating Forces
Devastate As They Go

PART OF FORCES FACES DANGER OF CAPTURE

Must Effect Junction With Re-
treating Comrades Or They
Will Be Surely Cut Off

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

WASHINGTON, September 4.—Rus-
sian forces that were formerly the de-
fenders of Riga and the approaches to
that important city are now retreating rap-
idly and falling back to the northeast.
As they proceed they are laying waste
the country they have abandoned and
are burning the villages by the way.
They are leaving nothing in their
wake that would be of use to the
Germans if they follow in pursuit of
the retreating Slav forces.

Whether or not the city is intact is
unknown for up to this morning at an
early hour no reports have been re-
ceived from the city nor of the condi-
tion in which the invaders find it.

Serious danger confronts the Rus-
sian forces which have been standing
off the Huns west of the Dvina. There
is likelihood of their being cut off
from retreat in the direction of Petro-
grad, joining the other retreating
Slavs and they face grave danger of
being made prisoners in a body, or
less than that, of being cut off from
the army that has abandoned Riga and
turned toward Petrograd in retreat the
chances of escape are slim.

Abandonment Is Announced

It was officially announced by the
war department yesterday that the Rus-
sian army defending Riga had aban-
doned that city.

Serious disaffection was again man-
ifest among the Slav troops, several
regiments voluntarily abandoning their
positions and retiring southward.
The Press Association, giving a sum-
mary of the fighting in the northern
end of the 1000-mile Eastern front,
says that Riga was abandoned under
the combined thrust of sea and land
forces.

The deciding blow was struck on Sat-
urday when the Teuton armies effected
a crossing of the river Dvina, about a
dozen miles south of the beleaguered
city. The Slav garrisons were also men-
aced from Mita, twenty miles to the
southwest of the gulf city, and all ef-
fects to stem the oncoming rush of the
Germans proved futile.

The Russian fleet is anchored on the
right bank of Riga, and the movements
of the war vessels are uncertain, as
much will depend on the sea and pur-
pose of the Teuton plans of offense.

Berlin said in its official report that
after a heavy artillery preparation,
German troops crossed the Dvina on
both banks at Uxhall, Russians are
in full retreat and are burning villages
and farms. Russian rear guards are de-
spairingly fighting to hold back the vic-
torious Teutons on the roads to Riga.

Officials Not Alarmed

News from Russia of the evacuation
of the important Baltic seaport of Riga
does not alarm officials here. Some
even go so far as to say that a com-
bined sea and land offensive from Riga
with Petrograd as its objective might
be a blessing in disguise, because of the
moral effect the prospect of the cap-
ture of the nation's capital would have
on the people, with the result that the
catastrophe would awaken the masses
to the necessity for united action if
the nation is not to be completely sub-
jugated.

The fall of Riga was not unexpected,
as its abandonment was foretold sev-
eral weeks ago.

ORDNANCE BUREAU TO CAUSE INQUIRY

Story of Defective Cartridges
Sent To Soldiers In France
To Be Investigated

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

WASHINGTON, September 4.—Major
General Crozier, chief of the ordnance
bureau, made it known last night that
he was making an investigation into
charges that defective cartridges are
being supplied for the use of the Amer-
ican forces in France.

Investigation so far shows that in
about two per cent of the cartridges
being supplied the charge contains a
slight quantity of bromide, which has
the effect of retarding the explosion of
the cartridge a fraction of a second.

General Crozier expresses his belief
that the board of inquiry now at work
will find that the defect in the car-
tridges is an unavoidable one and the
consequences of the defect not serious.

People Are Asked To Employ Moderation In Use of Sugar To Help France and Britain

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, September 4.—The food administration last night issued
a request to the nation to cut down materially on the consumption of sug-
ar, in order that a threatened shortage in Great Britain and France might be
averted.

The lack of shipping with which promptly to handle the sugar crops of Ha-
waii and Cuba, bringing the raw sugar from these islands to the mainland to be
refined, is given as the reason why the reduction in the consumption of sugar
throughout the United States is made necessary.

There is no actual lack of sugar, Administrator Hoover makes plain in his
public request, which emphasizes the need for conservation, so much as there is
a lack of ships and the inability to get the sugar from where it is to where it is
needed.

Not only is there a shortage of shipping in the Pacific, but also in the Atlan-
tic, compared to the growing demands from Europe. This Atlantic shortage
was emphasized last night by Prentiss Gray, the American director for Belgian
relief, who, in a statement given out in New York, says that it will be necessary to
ship two hundred and twenty thousand tons of foodstuff to Belgium this fall
and winter if the population is to be kept from death by starvation.

Drafted Men Will Leave Home Today For Service

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

WASHINGTON, September 4.—Today, according to the terms of the Selective
Training and Service Act, the first group of drafted men will leave their homes
to go to the training camps. The first group of drafted men will leave their homes
to go to the training camps. The first group of drafted men will leave their homes
to go to the training camps.

The significance of this first response
to the call to be marked here by the
presence of President Wilson and every
member of his cabinet, who will march
through the city, rain or shine, with
the men of the Washington quota. They
will accompany the drafted men the
length of Pennsylvania Avenue, and
the entire city, including officials, diplo-
mats and citizens, will line the avenue
in honor of their boys' first parade as
potential soldiers of Uncle Sam.

In practically every city and in many
thousands of towns throughout the
Union, similar honors will be shown the
drafted men of this first quota.

DRY WEATHER AGAIN COMES TO FIGHTERS

Rains On West Front Cease But
Events of Day Are of Only
Minor Importance

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

NEW YORK, September 4.—Some-
what of a lull was experienced on the
western front yesterday so far as
events of importance were concerned
and the overshadowing incidents on
the Austrian-Italian front and about
Riga made the hostilities in France
and Flanders appear of minor interest.

Fine weather prevailed along the
Flanders front, and the ground is dry-
ing up fast, which will permit of in-
fantry activities being soon renewed.
Yesterday artillery duels were in
progress, and many air raids have been
conducted against enemy positions far
in the rear of the German front line.

French troops along the Aisne bloodily
repulsed several stubborn German
attacks, wave after wave of attackers
melting under the terrible machine
gun fire poured into their ranks by the
French. Heavy artillery duels were in
progress around Verdun.

Favorable weather along the Belgian
front was again reported, and hostilities
were resumed by the Germans
throwing powerful counter attacks
against the northern lines.

All were repulsed, however, and a
successful raid on Tauton trenches
was carried out at Mouchy le Proux.

NEGRO REGIMENT TO ACT AS STEVEDORES

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

WASHINGTON, September 4.—Negroes
will be utilized by the govern-
ment in the shipment of munitions and
supplies to the expeditionary forces of
the United States in France. Yester-
day the war department took steps to
more expeditiously handle such ship-
ments when it authorized the enlistment
of a regiment of 2400 negroes
who will be stevedores and to whom
will fall the work of loading here or
unloading at some French port, as oc-
casion may demand the forces design-
ated for the army of invasion.

LIBERAL GERMANS ARE INCLINED TO PAY HEED TO ADVICE OF WILSON

More Democratic Government Is Needed, Asserts
Socialist Organ, and On This Point the Advice
Contained In Reply To Pope Must Be Heeded
To Clear Way To Peace

CONSERVATIVES BITTER

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Communication Service)

LONDON, September 4.—Reuter's correspondent in Amsterdam
telegraphs that he has reliable authority for the statement that
President Wilson's reply to the peace offers of the Pope has created
a profound impression in political circles throughout Germany, de-
spite the bitter attacks of the Pan-German and conservative press
upon the President and the interpretation the inspired writers are
attempting to give to the words of the American President.

The full text of the President's reply has appeared in practically
every German paper, having been distributed without censorship by
the Wolff agency, a semi-official news bureau. It has been widely
discussed by the people and by the politicians and has crystallized
the Socialist program for democratization and exerted a strong in-
fluence into the ranks of the Clericals.

WILL DEMAND RESPONSIBILITY

Mathias Erzberger, a prominent member of the Clerical-center
party and a member of the reichstag, is expected to voice the de-
mands which the words of President Wilson have brought once more
prominently to the front. Herr Erzberger, it is expected, will de-
mand the enactment of legislation that will immediately reform the
governmental institutions and bring the administration into respon-
sibility to the reichstag, as are the administrations of France and
Great Britain.

In addition, Erzberger's demands will urge the abandonment
by the administration of their plan that they are unable at this time
to take up for settlement the status of Alsace-Lorraine, and will
urge that this question be placed on the administration's program
for the next session of the reichstag to the extent of proposing that
the inhabitants of Alsace-Lorraine be allowed to decide for them-
selves whether they shall remain German or be reestablished as a
portion of France.

SOCIALISTS URGE REFORMS

The Leipzig Volkszeitung, a Socialist publication, joins Vor-
warts in declaring that the German people must consider at least
one portion of the reply made by President Wilson to the peace pro-
posals of Pope Benedict.

"The German people," says the Leipzig paper, "must, for the
sake of their own interests, demand the democratization of the gov-
ernmental institutions of the Fatherland. This will effect the clear-
ing away of one of the greatest obstacles to peace."

The Volkszeitung states that while Wilson's reply has destroyed
all hopes for the present it has not produced any feeling of hopelessness.

The Pan-German and Conservative press continues to belabor
President Wilson in the bitterest tone for his reply.

The Socialist paper, Vorwarts, also comes in for a severe criti-
cism for demanding that the nation take good advice regardless of
the source and institute democratic reforms, which must be a prelimi-
nary condition to any peace negotiations.

Organs of the Conservative party claim that the Socialists have
weakened the position of Germany in the eyes of the Entente Allies.

NOT IN VAIN, SAYS CATHOLIC

In Paris, Baron Denys Cochin, one of the prominent leaders of
the French Catholic party, during a debate in the chamber of deputies
yesterday, discussed the proposals advanced to the belligerents by
Pope Benedict and the reply made to these by President Wilson,
stating that he saw no reason why the one should be quoted as in op-
position to the other.

"It is certain," he said, "that the utterances of the Pope have the
character of a protocol, while those of the President are encyclical,
but I see no reason why we should oppose them to each other."

He asserted that the Pope had not spoken for peace in vain, be-
cause he had been listened to by the world and because he spoke
opportunistically and as the highest moral authority in the world was
forced to speak.

Baron Cochin scored the German militaristic class, saying that
among these Teutons of the north there are millions of Hohenzol-
lerns in all businesses and all animated with the fury of domination.

Root Loudly Sounds Cry of Alarm To Rouse Country

Lawyer and Statesman Makes
Eloquent Plea For Help To Na-
tion In Carrying On War To A
Successful Determination

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

SARATOGA SPRINGS, New York,
September 4.—By Elihu Root, former
United States senator, recent special
commissioner to Russia and for years
one of the leaders at the bar among
the attorneys of the United States,
there was yesterday sounded a "Cry
of Alarm" for the prosecution of the
war against Prussia. He sounded
this cry in one of the most able and
forceful speeches of his long career
in public life at the annual session of
the Bar Association here.

"So long as there exists a powerful
military autocracy which has for its
purpose the securing of the complete
domination of the world by its mil-
itary force those countries which subor-
dinate government to freedom will be
at the mercy of that menacing power,"
declared Root. "We are in this fight
and the stake is liberty. To lose that
is to lose all that we have and pride,
all that our forefathers strove for and
achieved and all that our beloved coun-
try has since then made of success."

"The American bar stands at the
door through which oppression would
enter. Should it enter everything that
the American lawyer contends for
would be attacked and destroyed."

"Under such circumstances as these,
in such times as these, there can be no
doubt of the duty of every American
citizen and more especially of every
member of our profession, the Ameri-
can lawyer."

"Let us then sound the cry of alarm
and rouse our fellow countrymen to
the grave and greatest necessity that
has ever confronted this nation, the
successful prosecution of the war of
liberty and freedom against Prussian
Autocracy."

LACK OF LOYALTY MAY COST MAYOR'S OFFICE

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

CHICAGO, September 3.—The anti-
union toward William Hale Thompson
took definite shape today with an an-
nouncement by the National Security
League that it has taken steps to bring
about the ousting of Thompson from
the mayoralty because of his lukewarm
loyalty to the cause of the Entente
Allies.

In some quarters Mayor Thompson is
regarded as a German sympathizer be-
cause of the numerous acts of evasion
and commission in an official capacity
of which he has been guilty.

The public became interested in
Mayor Thompson's war sympathies
when he refused to extend an invita-
tion to the British commission to visit
Chicago with the French mission head-
ed by Marshal Joffre.

Later the school board, which is un-
der the mayor's domination, refused to
delete from the school text books para-
graphs lauding the Kaiser.

PEOPLE'S PEACE COUNCIL ATTEMPTS NO MEETINGS

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

CHICAGO, September 4.—Members of
the People's Peace Council made no ef-
fort yesterday to meet in any public
place for a further discussion of their
conference plans, and no progress has
been made since Saturday, according
to the leaders.

AMERICAN SCHOONER IS REPORTED SUBMARINED

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

WASHINGTON, September 4.—An
announcement was made by the bureau
of information last night that the
American schooner Carl F. Cressy had
been sunk by a submarine. There are
no details.

NATION'S BOOZE BILL REACHES BIG FIGURE

Consumption of Whiskey Last
Year Largest In History

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

WASHINGTON, September 3.—All
records for the consumption of whiskey
were smashed during 1916-17, figures
compiled by the internal revenue of-
fice for its annual report, which were
made public today, show. The con-
sumption of spirituous liquors totaled
164,665,240 gallons and at this rate the
supply of liquor on hand after the new
food control law prohibiting the man-
ufacture of whiskey after September 8,
becomes effective, would last the na-
tion for two years.

HUN AIRPLANES ARE STILL TRYING RAIDS

Several Appear Over England's
Southeast Coast

(Associated Press By U. S. Naval Com-
munication Service)

LONDON, September 4.—Following
the raid of a single airplane on Sunday
night against Kent, a number of Ger-
man planes carried out a raid against
the southeast coast last night, drop-
ping bombs on a number of towns and
villages. No reports of damages done
or casualties inflicted have been given
out yet by the authorities.

Sunday night's raid resulted in the
killing of one man, a civilian, and the
wounding of six women and children.
No military damage was done, and ap-
parently none was attempted.